



COALINGA FIRE DEPARTMENT

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CITY OF COALINGA FIRE DEPARTMENT

FIRE PREVENTION STANDARD

STANDARD TITLE:	402.014 TEMPORARY INCREASE TO OCCUPANT LOADS IN ASSEMBLY OCCUPANCIES	
STANDARD NUMBER: 402.014	EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 October 2022	REVISION DATE: 1 October 2022

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to provide direction for temporarily increasing the occupant load within an assembly occupancy as noted in the California Fire Code (CFC), Chapter 10.

APPLICATION

This policy clarifies the Coalinga Fire Department (CFD or Department) requirements related to temporarily increasing occupant loads in assembly occupancies within the City of Coalinga (City).

OPERATIONAL POLICY

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OPERATIONAL GUIDELINE

Based upon the need for uniformity in application across the Department's diverse service delivery area, and after careful deliberation, the Department has determined the following:

The Department may consider a ten percent (10%) increase in occupant load within a given assembly occupancy as permitted within the CFC, with a stand-by fire watch performed by a single CFD Fire Prevention Inspector. As a condition of approval, CFD fire watch is required to begin an hour before any event is opened to the public and will last at least one hour after the event concludes. CFD fire watch is completed on a fee for service and staff availability basis. Cost for service will be calculated per the City of Coalinga Master Fee Schedule (MFS).

Any increase in occupant load beyond the ten percent (10%) noted above will be made at the sole discretion of the Fire Marshal, or designee, with additional requirements. Approval will not establish a precedent for any future events.

PROCESS

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INFORMATION

As noted in the CFC, the fire code official has the authority to formulate policies they deem necessary based upon local conditions including the consideration of temporarily increasing the occupant load within an assembly occupancy.



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DEFINITIONS

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CROSS REFERENCES

California Fire Code, Chapter 10

Master Fee Schedule

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